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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I live in San Francisco, probably THE most expensive place to live in the US. It is hard enough to make a living here, keep a roof over one's head and do everything to survive.

It's appalling to hear that the big companies are at it again.... Not only with internet, but with other things as well.

This has got to stop. I've watched the prices of internet service rise through the years and also see the services dwindle too. I chose Sonic not only because of the price, but also that it was fiber too. I previously had both AT&T and Comcast, but the constant increase in price was getting ridiculous for the speed I was getting...

Sonic is good for business here, as it's locally owned. They see what the future is and that is a fiber network. If Sonic is left out in the cold, there will no doubt be a price increase from the big companies. Sonic provides the competition for both AT&T and Comcast not only for customers, but makes them provide good service as well.

I rely on my fiber as it is critical to my job as a photographer. If I am on deadline, I need a fast, WORKING service to get my images to agencies and clients. That's what Sonic does for me, gets my images to where they have to go without issues... I can't tell you how many times Comcast and AT&T have failed in that respect.

Did you know that Santa Clara Fire Department had their service throttled back during the latest wildfires here in California? A FIRE DEPARTMENT. A service that people need...unbelievable. This is what you get from the big companies....because of GREED.

I can go on, but I'm sure you get the point....

Respectfully,

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